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The Division of Blood Disorders (DBD) is proud to offer its "Webinar Series on Bleeding and Clotting Disorders." This webinar series provides evidence-based information on new research, interventions, and emerging issues of interest in blood disorders, as well as innovative approaches in collaborations and partnerships.

TOPIC

Diagnosis of von Willebrand Disease: Challenges and Opportunities

GUEST PRESENTER



Connie Miller, PhD

Dr. Miller is a medical geneticist who has directed the Clinical Coagulation Laboratory for the Division of Blood Disorders at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for 15 years. Previously she spent more than 20 years in clinical care for people with hemophilia. She is currently Team Leader for the Clinical Research Team in the Laboratory Research Branch. Dr. Miller has not only modified existing tests, but also has developed new testing methods to be used for inhibitor testing in hemophilia monitoring.

WHEN

SEPTEMBER 24, 2015

2:00-3:00 pm EST

WEBINAR DESCRIPTION

Von Willebrand disease (VWD) is a common bleeding disorder affecting both males and females. It causes bruising, nosebleeds, heavy menstrual bleeding, and bleeding after injury, dental work, surgery, or childbirth. In its most severe form, it may result in joint bleeding. It can be life-threatening if left untreated. People with milder bleeding may experience years of symptoms without being diagnosed. Often many family members may have bleeding symptoms. Tests often used for diagnosis of bleeding disorders do not work well for diagnosis of VWD. Specific tests for VWD diagnosis are complex and not available everywhere. People with VWD must be distinguished from people with hemophilia and hemophilia carriers, because they share some characteristics.

In this webinar, Dr. Miller will describe the symptoms of VWD and the tests required for its diagnosis. She will discuss the variability of test results in different population groups and describe newly developed tests.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

At the end of this webinar, attendees will be able to:

- List the symptoms of von Willebrand disease.
- ▶ Describe the test panel required for diagnosis of VWD.
- Describe the different patterns of test results seen in VWD.
- ► Identify the differences between VWD and hemophilia.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

This webinar is free and open to all who are interested in learning about von Willebrand disease.

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